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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2005, this paper is timely filed within the 2 month shortened period. Applicant is not amending any pending claim, and the claims are reproduced here for convenience. Remarks responsive to the grounds for rejection begin on page 6 of this paper.